

## Message Text

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TAGS: PARM, MBFR, GE, US  
SUBJECT: INITIAL GDR MEDIA TREATMENT OF PRESIDENT'S  
DECISION ON NEUTRON BOMB

REF: MOSCOW 7110

1. THE INITIAL REACTION OF GDR MEDIA TO THE  
PRESIDENT'S DECISION TO DELAY PRODUCTION OF THE  
SO-CALLED NEUTRON BOMB HAS BEEN TO REPEAT THE  
TASS REPORT OUT OF WASHINGTON AND TO COVER BRIEFLY  
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OTHER EUROPEAN AND US INITIAL REACTIONS TO THE  
ANNOUNCEMENT. NEUES DEUTSCHLAND REPORTED  
PROMINENTLY ON TASS' WASHINGTON-BASED SUMMARY  
AND COMMENTARY ON THE PRESIDENT'S ACTION. FURTHER  
ND REPORTING HAS FOCUSED ON CRITICISM IN THE US  
AND IN EUROPEAN CAPITALS THAT THE PRESIDENT DID  
NOT DECIDE TO CANCEL THE PROJECT ENTIRELY.

2. EAST GERMAN MEDIA CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE  
SOVIET LINE THAT DISARMAMENT IS THE MOST PRESSING  
PROBLEM IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND HAS  
REPORTED THE SOVIET VIEW THAT THE US IS DELAYING  
ON SALT AND IS ATTEMPTING TO USE THE NEUTRON BOMB  
AS A BARGAINING CHIP. BOLEN

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